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Series: **Becoming Disciples!**

Today's Sermon: **"...AND COMPEL THEM..."**

Luke 14:23 NKJV & NLT

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INTRODUCTION

IF we want God's best...

IF we want God to be pleased with our service...

IF we want to grow in wisdom by the Word of God...

It would be by the obedience to the command to "GO" _____ Disciples
(Matt. 28:18-20).

More specifically...

*"Go out into the highways and hedges, **AND** _____ **THEM...**"*

"Compel"

- Greek: "Anankazo" (aorist active imperative)
- means force, press, compel
- (verb) defined as, to force or oblige (someone) to do something
- to bring about (something) by the use of force or pressure
- also means to cause to do or occur by overwhelming pressure

MSG Bible says, *The master said, 'Then go to the country roads. Whoever you find, **drag them** in. I want my house full!*

What does it *look like* to "COMPEL" someone to relationship with Jesus?

1) _____ – Mark 5:18-20 MSG

As Jesus was getting into the boat, the demon-delivered man begged to go along, but he wouldn't let him. Jesus said, "Go home to your own people. Tell them your story—what the Master did, how he had mercy on you." The man went back and began to preach in the Ten Towns area about what Jesus had done for him. He was the talk of the town.

What are we to communicate? The GOSPEL:

- Jesus _____
- Jesus _____
- Jesus _____
- Jesus is _____ Back Again

2) _____ – 2 Corinthians 5:14 NKJV

*For the love of Christ **compels** us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died;*

We are to show the Compassion:

- of _____
- of _____ Community

3) _____ – 1 Thessalonians 2:6-9 MSG

Even though we had some standing as Christ's apostles, we never threw our weight around or tried to come across as important, with you or anyone else. We weren't aloof with you. We took you just as you were. We were never patronizing, never condescending, but we cared for you the way a mother cares for her children. We loved you dearly. Not content to just pass on the Message, we wanted to give you our hearts. And we did. You remember us in those days, friends, working our fingers to the bone, up half the night, moonlighting so you wouldn't have the burden of supporting us while we proclaimed God's Message to you.

1 Corinthians 15:58 CEB (Common English Bible)

As a result of all this, my loved brothers and sisters, you must stand firm, unshakable, excelling in the work of the Lord as always, because you know that your labor isn't going to be for nothing in the Lord.